

MINUTES
UTAH
SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY/AUDIOLOGY LICENSING BOARD
MEETING

January 16, 2008

Room 475 - 4th Floor – 9:00 a.m.
Heber Wells Building
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

CONVENED: 9:05 a.m.

ADJOURNED: 9:36 a.m.

Bureau Manager:

Clyde Ormond

Board Secretary:

Jacky Adams

Board Members Present:

Walter Cox, Chairperson
Patricia Anderson
Chad Bingham
Bonnie Rice
Paige Canfield

Board Members Absent:

Guests:

DOPL Staff Present:

F David Stanley

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:
MINUTES:

Mr. Bingham seconded by Ms. Anderson made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 17, 2007 Board Meeting, the motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:
Proposed Rules Changes

Mr. Bingham explained that Ms. Spriet, president of the USHA (Utah Speech and Hearing Association), had requested for him to report to the Board concerning USHA's recommendations, regarding the proposed rules changes to R156-41, due to Ms. Spriet being unable to attend this meeting. Mr. Bingham then explained that USHA recommended requiring licensure for Speech-Language and Audiology Assistants.

Mr. Ormond requested for USHA to submit all of their recommendations to the Board for further discussion at the next Board Meeting on April 16, 2008. Mr. Ormond will

then review USHA's recommendations with Mr. Walker,
Regulation / Compliance Officer.

CORRESPONDENCE:

American Academy of Audiology
"Audioprosthologist"

– Mr. Ormond reminded the Board that at the last Board Meeting on October 17, 2007, there was a discussion regarding Hearing Instrument Specialists using the title of "Audioprosthologist". Mr. Ormond explained that after research by the Division it has been determined that the use of "Audioprosthologist" indicates that a Hearing Instrument Specialist has undergone additional training beyond the requirements for licensure as a Hearing Instrument Specialist. If a Hearing Instrument Specialist uses the term to indicate they are an Audiologist then the Division will take action at that time.

The Board felt that this determination was incorrect, based on the potential for a Hearing Instrument Specialist to mislead the public that they are an Audiologist. The Division will request for USHA to submit a response to this decision regarding why the use of "Audioprosthologist" should not be allowed. Also Division Investigations will be invited to the next meeting, explain the Division reasoning.

ADJOURN:

9:36 a.m.

Note: These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcript but are intended to record the significant features of the business conducted in this meeting. Discussed items are not necessarily shown in the chronological order they occurred.

April 16, 2008

Date Approved

(ss) Walter Cox

Chairperson, Utah Speech-Language Pathology/Audiology
Licensing Board

April 16, 2008

Date Approved

(ss) Clyde Ormond

Bureau Manager, Division of Occupational & Professional
Licensing